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**REQUEST FOR REFUND**

The April 2003 Deposit Account Statement for Deposit Account No. 14-1140 shows a \$36.00 charge for an additional claim fee (Fee Code 2202) for application no. 09/444,723. Applicant submits that this charge is erroneous and requests a refund.

A response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2002 was filed on March 24, 2003, and a check for \$516.00 was also submitted. This check included the fees for 1 extra total claim (\$9.00), 1 extra independent claim (\$42.00), and a three-month extension of time (\$465.00) in accordance with the fee schedule applicable to small entity in effect at that time.

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Since that time and as of this date, no claims have been added to the application.

Accordingly, the charge of \$36.00 is improper and should be refunded to Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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